government today against Iranian crit-ics of the deal with Washington that TEHRAN, Jan. 26 — Prime Minis-ter Mohammad Ali Rajai defended his freedom for the American

Estes than "the deprived and revolu-Outlining the accord to the Majis, Iran's parliament, he said no other Qlis government had followed the Remment could have extracted the United

reflese conditions laid down by the residence of the select those was complained that Iran had got they had not made any better they had not made any better the hostage negotiations.

Asked what Iran would do if Washington did not fulfill its part of the
deal, he said: I do not think they
would be so unwase.

Rafsanjani thenied allegations that
some hostages had been maltreated,

call torture." rested him, that is not what I would tages wanted to escape and they fired into the air or hit him when they artages] and I am sure that they are not the sort of people who would do such a thing Of course, if one of the hos

whave a complete list of the fortune with shah and his relatives after thing on it for the past year, Rajai and thus Iran was asking for

Escations for its return.

The Iranian Central Bank still did

hown to the world even more than aid "If the U.S. doesn't want to meet is undertakings, its guilty face will be his address to the Majlis, Rajai

was left from \$8 billion after repaying all Iran's loans from U.S. banks and placing money with Algeria, which claims between Iran and the United States. acted as go-between for settlement of its frozen assets, he said this was what In response to criticism that han had recovered less than \$3 billion of

fairs with no mention of alleged past

In. reply to criticism that Iran had bee Washington only to guarantee

quire anyone possessing such assets inowledge of them to tell the ad-

ashington agreed under the deal

was unknown

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shah's fortune. ping all legal claims against Iran and returning its inozen assets and the late States for \$24 billion in guarantees that it would carry out the Majlis Iran originally asked the United of noninterference, drop-

President Abol Hassan Beni-Sadr, who has said he was not kept in-formed of the final stages of the hosmildervious intervention, even at the price of 52 people."

egotiations, asked today in an

The newspaper Islamic Revolution, should paywhich Bami-Sadr controls, yesterday Rajai said. sets is about \$8 billion, from which we should pay our loans completely," "The whole amount of Iranian as-

ering its frozen assets and the wealth of the late shah. intergew with the newspaper Mizan whether Iran had succeeded in recov-

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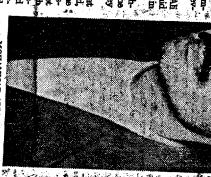
challenged the government's view that Iran had got all it sought. Rajai attacked people who argued

that Iran's problems all stemmed from the seizure of the hostages in November 1979. He called them counterrev-

Rejai's cabinet had done its best in the hostage negotiations. Speaker Hojatolesiam Ali

saying: "I know most of them [the radical Muslems who held the hos-

MOHAMMAD ALI RAJAI
defended by Majlis speaker



em correspondents at a front-line po-sition inside Iranian territory in the rauged Kurdistan region, said Bagh-ded was backing Kurdish demands for SULAIMANIYA, Iraq, Jan. 26—draman Kurdish guerrillas are striking at Iranian troops from mountain bases behind Iraq's front line in the Persian Gulf war, Iraqi military officers said The officers, interviewed by West-

greater autonomy from the Tehran They misted, however, that the well-armed Peah Merga Kundish guer-tillus were not fighting under Iraqi di-

Ayatollah "They have their own fight against vatollah Ruhollah] Khomeini," said

an Iraqi major who would not give his Reporters saw several dozen guerril-

The guerillas, wearing their tradi-tonal baggy partialoons, embroidered waistoosts and black and white head-scarves, were armed with both Soviet-designed Kalashnikovs and U.S. made M16 rifles. as in two mountain villages now oc-upied by Iraqi forces.

Western reporters were escorted by the Iraqi Army during the weekend to the Iraqian village of Nowaud, 50 miles southeast of this Iraqi market

Iranian Troops Behind War's Front

Soviet Union and Turkey, In December Iraqi President Sad-

reports since then of fighting farther north than Nowsud. dam Hussein said he had extended the battle front from the deserts in the south all the way up to the Turdam Hussein said ash border. But there have been g

of two strategic passes near Nowsud and Penjwin to the north to prevent The Iraqis say they seized control

causes of the war. Iranian support un-der the late shah for a rebellion against Baghdad by Iraqi Kurds in erament into signing a against Baghdad by Iraqi Kurds in the early 1970s forced the Iraqi gov-Iranian cross-border raids The Kurdish problem is one of the

Iraq unilaterally shrogated the agreement just before the war began. Under the accord, Iran said it would

town.

Both Iran and Iraq have attempted to harness Kurdish discontent since the Persan Gulf war started in Sep-

tain region spanning northern in northern han and parts of Syria, The Kurdish people live in a moun-

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between the two countries.

Now had is fighting to recover what it calls usurped border territory. against the Kurds was shown in mountains southeast of this I Kurdish cultural center and university abandon support for the Iraqi Kurds in return for a new border agreement Evidence of ruthlessness in the fight

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